

#### **EXHIBIT F-1**

#### **INVESTMENT POLICY**

## Michigan CLASS EDGE Investment Policy

#### 1.0 PURPOSE:

Michigan CLASS EDGE (EDGE) was organized in 2021 and was created pursuant to the Participation Agreement. As further described in the EDGE Information Statement, the EDGE portfolio is a professionally managed portfolio consisting of money market instruments and medium-term notes designed for the short to intermediate reserve and surplus funds of Michigan Public Agencies.

#### 2.0 SCOPE AND OBJECTIVE:

It is the obligation of Michigan CLASS to cause funds of its participants to be invested in a manner which complies with the Investment criteria contained in the Participation Agreement. Those investment criteria apply to all assets considered investment property under the Participation Agreement and specify the objectives of the program related to safety, liquidity, and yield (return on investment).

The investments will be diversified by security type and institution in an effort to minimize risk and exposure. Concentration of investments will depend on market conditions, availability in terms of desired maturities, collateral, creditworthiness, and market yields among other things.

EDGE is designed to complement the Michigan CLASS daily liquidity fund for Michigan Public Agencies. The general objective of the EDGE is to seek to generate a high level of income for Participants while preserving capital by investing only in investments legally authorized by Michigan Compiled Laws. EDGE offers longer dated, fixed-income investments seeking to enhance returns while providing weekly liquidity to its participants.

#### 3.0 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The authority of the Board to manage the investment property is derived from the Participation Agreement approved by each Participant pursuant to the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, 1967(Ex Sess) PA 7. Pursuant to the Participation Agreement and the Investment Advisor Agreement, the Board and the Participants have appointed Public Trust Advisors, LLC as Investment Advisor for the term set forth in an Investment Advisor Agreement between Public Trust Advisors, LLC and the Board and have delegated the authority to manage the investment property in accordance with the terms of the Participant Agreement and the Investment Advisor Agreement.

#### 4.0 AUTHORIZED INSTRUMENTS:

Consistent with the investment criteria contained in the Participation Agreement, the Board and the Investment Advisor are authorized to invest investment property in only the following:

- (a) US Treasury Bonds, Bills, Notes, and Treasury Strips,
- (b) Obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- (c) Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the highest two classifications established by not less than two standard rating services (i.e., as of September 18, 2009, A- 1+ and A-1 by S&P Global Ratings Service, P-1 by Moody's Investors Service, or F1+ and F1 by Fitch, Inc.) and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- (d) Bankers' acceptances issued by FDIC member United States banks.



- (e) Repurchase agreements consisting of instruments listed in a subdivision (a or b) Repurchase agreements shall be 102% collateralized with Public Securities Association (PSA) Master Repurchase agreement on file and or tri-party custody agreement on file.
- (f) Certificates of deposit of a financial institution eligible under law to be a depository of Participant public agencies of government so long as such articles of deposit are secured 102% at the value of each by eligible collateral listed on Schedule I for any amount of principal and accrued interest not insured by an agency of the United States.
- (g) In addition to the investments authorized in subsection (f), certificates of deposit issued in accordance with all of the following conditions:
  - a. The funds are initially invested through a financial institution that is not ineligible to be a depository of surplus funds belonging to the state of Michigan under section 6 of 1855 PA 105, MCL 21.146.
  - b. The financial institution arranges for the investment of the funds in certificates of deposit in 1 or more insured depository institutions, as defined in 12 USC 1813, or 1 or more insured credit unions, as defined in 12 USC 1752, for the account of Michigan CLASS EDGE.
  - c. The full amount of the principal and any accrued interest of each certificate of deposit is insured by an agency of the United States.
  - d. The financial institution acts as custodian for Michigan CLASS EDGE with respect to each certificate of deposit.
  - e. At the same time that the funds of Michigan CLASS EDGE are deposited and the certificate or certificates of deposit are issued, the financial institution receives an amount of deposits from customers of other insured depository institutions or insured credit unions equal to or greater than the amount of the funds initially invested by the Michigan CLASS EDGE through the financial institution.
- (h) In addition to the investments authorized in subsection (f), deposit accounts that meet all of the following conditions:
  - a. The funds are initially deposited in a financial institution that is not ineligible to be a depository of surplus funds belonging to the State of Michigan under section 6 of 1855 PA 105, MCL 21.146.
  - b. The financial institution arranges for the deposit of the funds in deposit accounts in 1 or more insured depository institutions, as defined in 12 USC 1813, or 1 or more insured credit unions, as defined in 12 USC 1752, for the account of Michigan CLASS EDGE.
  - c. The full amount of the principal and any accrued interest of each deposit account is insured by an agency of the United States.
    - The financial institution acts as custodian for Michigan CLASS EDGE with respect to each deposit account.
  - d. On the same date that the funds of Michigan CLASS EDGE are deposited, the financial institution receives an amount of deposits from customers of other insured depository institutions or insured credit unions equal to or greater than the amount of the funds initially deposited by Michigan CLASS EDGE in the financial institution.
- (i) Mutual funds registered under the investment company act of 1940 maintaining a \$1.00 per share net asset value and with authority to purchase investment vehicles that are legal for



direct investment by all participant public agencies whose monies are invested in mutual funds that such participants acknowledge that the funds be placed in a special sub account created pursuant to the Participation Agreement, as amended.

(j) Any other investment permissible to all Participants individually under Michigan law and authorized by the board.

#### 5.0 SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY:

As provided by the Participation Agreement and the Investment Advisor Agreement, all security transactions including collateral for repurchase agreements and financial institution deposits entered into on behalf of Participants may be on a cash or delivery versus payment basis as determined by the Investment Advisor. Pursuant to the Participation Agreement and the Investment Advisor Agreement, the Investment Advisor has appointed a Custodian to receive, hold for reinvestment, and clear all investment funds and investment property, as a fiduciary, in accordance with the Participation Agreement.

#### 6.0 PRUDENCE:

The standard of prudence to be used for managing the investment property is the prudent investor rule applicable to a fiduciary, which states that a prudent investor "shall exercise the judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which men of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of the property of another, not in regard to speculation but in regard to the permanent disposition of funds, considering the probable income as well as the probable safety of their capital."

### 7.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

The Investment Advisor shall provide the broker or financial intermediary a copy of the Michigan CLASS EDGE Investment Policy and a form on which the broker or financial intermediary must acknowledge receipt of the Investment Policy and agree to comply with the said policy regarding the purchase and sale of securities.

## 8.0 REPORTS:

In accordance with the Investment Advisor Agreement, the Investment Advisor shall prepare or cause to be prepared a quarterly report and a written annual report including the opinion of an independent public accountant to the Board of Trustees of Michigan CLASS EDGE within ninety days after the close of the fiscal year.

#### 9.0 EFFECTIVE DATE:

This policy shall become effective on the day following adoption by the Board of Trustees of the Participation Agreement (Michigan CLASS EDGE). Any amendment to this Investment Policy shall become effective thirty days (30 days) after each Participant has received notice of the amendment.

Adopted: September 24, 2021



# SCHEDULE 1 ELIGIBLE COLLATERAL

- 1. Assets considered acceptable to the Michigan State Treasurer under Section 3 of the Surplus Funds in Treasury Act, 1855 PA 105 to secure deposits of state surplus funds.
- 2. Any of the following:
  - a. Securities issued by the Federal home loan mortgagecorporation.
  - b. Securities issued by the Federal national mortgage association.
  - c Securities issued by the government national mortgage association.
- 3. Other securities considered acceptable to the depositor of public funds and the financial institution.
- 4. Any other collateral permissible by Michigan law and authorized by the Board except that in no case shall an asset with a rating classification lower than A-1 by S&P Global Ratings Service, P-1 by Moody's Investors Service, or F1 by Fitch, Inc. be accepted as eligible collateral.